

Lib. C. B. to his Lordship, and I will in all Things from Time to Time,
No. 20 as Occasion shall require, faithfully Counsel and Advise His
said Lordship according to my Heart and Conscience.
So help me God.

His Excellency was pleased to produce to this Board the following Certificate, which is Ordered to be Entered.

At the Council Chamber Whitehall the 22^d day of December
1768

Present

The Lords of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

His Majesty having been pleased to declare his Royal Allowance and Approbation of Robert Eden Esq^r to be Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Maryland in America, according to the Nomination of the Lord Baltimore, Lord Proprietor of the said Province, He this day took the Oaths appointed to be taken instead of the Oaths of Allegiance, and Supremacy, and also the Oath required to be taken by the Governors of His Majesty's Plantations for putting in Execution the Acts of Trade and Navigation.

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The Honourable Horatio Sharpe Esq^r delivers to His Excellency the Great Seal of this Province and thereupon his Excellency the Governor takes the Oath of Chancellor in the following Words viz.

p. 48 I Robert Eden do swear, that, as Chancellor and Keeper of the Great Seal of this Province, I will well and truly serve his Lordship the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary of this Province, and do equal Right to all his Majesty's Subjects to the best of my Understanding Skill and Knowledge; I shall not debar or hinder the Prosecution of Justice, nor take any Gift, Bribe, Reward, or Fee for the delaying thereof, but will behave myself justly and truly and hear and Judge Decree and Determine all Matters that shall regularly come before me for determination, according to Equity and good Conscience according to the Duties of my said Office, and according to the best of my Knowledge, during my Continuance in the said Office or until I shall be by Lawful Authority discharged therefrom.

So help me God.

All which said Oaths were Administered to His Excellency by the Members of his Lordship's Honourable Council now present.